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Examiner : James M. McAleenan
Art Unit : 3745
Docket No. : 970054.406USPC
Date : November 20, 2002

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REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF A NEW OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

On November 12, 2002 the Examiner mailed an Office Action in the above-referenced matter. Applicant had filed a Preliminary Amendment on October 22, 2002, which it was received at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 24, 2002. The Preliminary Amendment and its content including the claims were not considered in the Office Action.

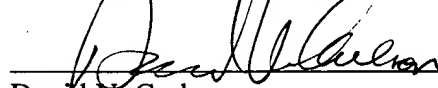
Applicants apologize for the inconvenience to the Examiner in the timing of the Preliminary Amendment, since it appears that shortly after the Amendment was received by the patent office, the Examiner performed his search on the claims. It is possible that the Amendment was not yet in the file since it was received about three (3) weeks prior to the office action being mailed. Since the Preliminary Amendment was filed prior to the office action being mailed, it should have been considered.

Accordingly, the applicant kindly requests that the Examiner issue a new Office Action taking into consider the new claims and Preliminary Amendment reset the time so the applicant may have adequate opportunity to prepare a response. A copy of the Preliminary Amendment is enclosed for ease of reference in the event it is not in the file.

Respectfully submitted,

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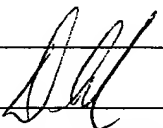
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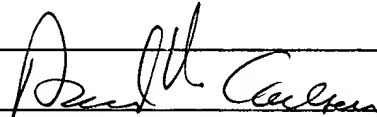
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